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**Absorbent article having fused layers - has absorbent core positioned between  
topsheet and backsheet, with topsheet being fused to acquisition web**

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PT 101473	A	19941130	PT 101473	A	19940309	199502
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HU 217332	B	19991228	WO 92US9716	A	19921106	200010
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Abstract (Basic): WO 9311725 A

The article comprises a liquid pervious apertured thermoplastic film topsheet, and a liquid impervious backsheet having a garment-facing face and being joined to the topsheet. An underlying layer has a thickness and preferably is liquid pervious, and more preferably also is absorbent, positioned between the topsheet and the backsheet.

The topsheet is fused to the underlying layer at individual bonded areas that penetrate the topsheet and at least part of the way into the thickness of the underlying layer without penetrating the garment-facing face of the backsheet. At least some of the bonded areas provide structures with drainage passageways for liquids to pass through to the underlying layer.

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Abstract (Equivalent): EP 617602 B

An absorbent article (20) comprising a liquid pervious apertured thermoplastic film topsheet (28), a liquid impervious backsheet (30) having a garment-facing face and being joined to said topsheet (28), and an underlying layer (32,34) having a thickness and preferably being liquid pervious, and more preferably also being absorbent, positioned between said topsheet (28) and said backsheet (30), said topsheet is fused to said underlying layer (32,34) wherein said absorbent article (20) is characterized in that said individual bonded areas (44) penetrate the topsheet (28) and at least part of the way into the thickness of said underlying layer (32,34) without penetrating the garment-facing face of said backsheet (30), and at least some of said bonded areas (44) provide structures with drainage passageways for liquids to pass through to said underlying layer (34).

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**Absorbent article e.g. diaper with melt-blown components - has top sheet bonded to back sheet containing acquisition layer and absorbent core**

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CN 1085418	A	19940420	CN 92114631	A	19921111	199527
US 5591149	A	19970107	US 92957575	A	19921007	199708
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DE 69226651	E	19980917	DE 626651	A	19921106	199843
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US 6103953	A	20000815	US 91810774	A	19911217	200041
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			US 97811330	A	19970304	
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MX 9206491	A1	19990501	MX 926491	A	19921111	200056
MX 192334	B	19990614	MX 926492	A	19921111	200058
MX 194471	B	19991209	MX 926491	A	19921111	200110
KR 284676	B	20010402	WO 92US9753	A	19921106	200216
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MX 9206491	A1	A61F-013/46	
MX 192334	B	A61F-013/020	
MX 194471	B	A61F-013/015	
KR 284676	B	A61F-013/15	Previous Publ. patent KR 94703642

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Abstract (Basic): WO 9311726 A

Absorbent article, partic. diaper, sanitary napkin, etc., has a topsheet (28) of liquid pervious material, pref. with apertures distributed over the main body portion, partic. comprising a fibre-entangled film of spunlaced non-woven fibres, fused to backsheet with acquisition layer (34) comprising a folded sheet of non-woven material with an average wet pore radius under no load of 40-90 microns. An absorbent core (32) comprises a web of meltblown fibres consisting of micro-denier fibres with an average wet pore radius under no load of pref. 30-40 microns.

ADVANTAGE - Improved bonding without interference with absorption.

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Abstract (Equivalent): US 5591149 A

An absorbent article comprising:

a liquid pervious topsheet;

a liquid impervious backsheet joined to said topsheet;

an absorbent core positioned between said topsheet and said backsheet, said absorbent core comprising a first layer and a second layer, said first layer comprising a web of meltblown fibers, said web of meltblown fibers comprising a plurality of micro-denier meltblown fibers having pores therebetween having a first average wet pore radius size under no load, said second layer comprising a material selected from the group consisting of: a tissue web, a carded nonwoven web, and a spunbonded nonwoven web; and a plurality of superabsorbent material particles between said first and second layers, wherein at least one of said first and second layers has been solvent-treated, and said first and second layers have been secured to each other at least partially by said superabsorbent material particles with heat and pressure bonds; and

an acquisition layer positioned between said topsheet and said absorbent core, said acquisition layer having pores therein having a second average wet pore radius size under no load, wherein said second average wet pore radius size is greater than said first average wet pore radius size.

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Derwent Class: A96; D22; F07; P32

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International Patent Class (Additional): A61F-013/016; A61F-013/54; D04H-003/03

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**Tear-resistant laminate useful as elastic diaper ear, has elastic polymeric film, and first and second nonwoven webs both formed of**

**nonelastic thermoplastic fibers**

**9/26, TI/2 (Item 2 from file: 350)**

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**Absorbent article e.g. sanitary napkin - has rapid distribution strip for improved wicking of liq. exudate**

**9/26, TI/3 (Item 3 from file: 350)**

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**Absorbent article - has liq. impervious top sheet with nonwoven outer layer with central opening and apertured thermoplastic film positioned beneath the opening**

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TOPSHEET SYSTEMS FOR ABSORBENT ARTICLES EXHIBITING IMPROVED  
HYDROPHILICITY GRADIENTS

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IMPROVED TOPSHEET FOR ABSORBENT ARTICLES EXHIBITING IMPROVED MASKING  
PROPERTIES

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HYGIENIC ABSORBENT ARTICLE HAVING MELTBLOWN COMPONENTS

6/6/4 (Item 1 from file: 349)

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APERTURED NON-WOVEN COMPOSITES AND METHOD FOR MAKING

6/6/5 (Item 2 from file: 349)

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TOPSHEET SYSTEMS FOR ABSORBENT ARTICLES EXHIBITING IMPROVED  
HYDROPHILICITY GRADIENTS

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IMPROVED TOPSHEET FOR ABSORBENT ARTICLES EXHIBITING IMPROVED MASKING  
PROPERTIES

6/6/7 (Item 4 from file: 349)

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A METHOD FOR FORMING A NONWOVEN WEB EXHIBITING SURFACE ENERGY GRADIENTS AND  
INCREASED CALIPER

6/6/8 (Item 5 from file: 349)

00370919 \*\*Image available\*\*

A METHOD FOR SELECTIVELY APERTURING A NONWOVEN WEB EXHIBITING SURFACE  
ENERGY GRADIENTS

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DISPOSABLE ABSORBENT ARTICLE WITH FIT AND FLUID TRANSFER CAPABILITIES

6/6/10 (Item 7 from file: 349)  
00281948 \*\*Image available\*\*

ABSORBENT ARTICLE WITH MEANS FOR DIRECTIONAL FLUID DISTRIBUTION

6/6/11 (Item 8 from file: 349)  
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HYGIENIC ABSORBENT ARTICLE HAVING MELTBLOWN COMPONENTS

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TOPSHEET SYSTEMS FOR ABSORBENT ARTICLES EXHIBITING IMPROVED HYDROPHILICITY  
GRADIENTS

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IMPROVED TOPSHEET FOR ABSORBENT ARTICLES EXHIBITING IMPROVED MASKING  
PROPERTIES

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ABSORBENT ARTICLE HAVING FUSED LAYERS

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HYGIENIC ABSORBENT ARTICLE HAVING MELTBLOWN COMPONENTS

10/6/5 (Item 5 from file: 348)  
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Substantially fluid-impervious microbubbled polymeric web and method and  
apparatus for making it.

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STIFFENED LANE ELASTIC LAMINATE AND METHOD OF FORMING

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TOPSHEET SYSTEMS FOR ABSORBENT ARTICLES EXHIBITING IMPROVED HYDROPHILICITY  
GRADIENTS

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IMPROVED TOPSHEET FOR ABSORBENT ARTICLES EXHIBITING IMPROVED MASKING  
PROPERTIES

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DISPOSABLE ABSORBENT ARTICLE WITH FIT AND FLUID TRANSFER CAPABILITIES

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HYGIENIC ABSORBENT ARTICLE HAVING MELTBLOWN COMPONENTS

10/6/11 (Item 6 from file: 349)



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**ABSORBENT ARTICLE HAVING FUSED LAYERS**

**11/3,AB/4      (Item 4 from file: 348)**  
DIALOG(R) File 348:EUROPEAN PATENTS  
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00315659

**Substantially fluid-impervious microbubbled polymeric web and method and apparatus for making it.**

**Im wesentlichen flüssigkeitsundurchlässige polymere Warenbahn mit Mikroblasen und Verfahren und Vorrichtung für deren Herstellung.**

**Tissu polymère à microbulles en substance imperméable aux fluides et méthode et dispositif pour sa production.**

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ABSTRACT EP 305123 A1

A microbubbled, substantially fluid-impervious polymeric web exhibiting substantially the same consumer preferred soft and cloth-like tactile impression and low noise generation levels heretofore only achievable in microapertured, and hence substantially fluid pervious, polymeric webs. In a particularly preferred embodiment, the present invention pertains to a microbubbled polymeric web exhibiting a fine-scale pattern of discrete mushroom-shaped surface aberrations, each of said surface aberrations having its amplitude oriented substantially perpendicular to the surface in which the surface aberration originates. However, unlike microapertured webs which are fluid pervious, at least one tiny, continuous membrane bubble, i.e., a microbubble, is provided substantially coincidental with the maximum amplitude of each surface aberration. Thus, the microbubbled web is substantially fluid-impervious. In addition, such a web employing the fine-scale pattern of microbubbled surface aberrations does not exhibit the "rattling" or "rustling" noises

typically exhibited by prior art fluid-impervious polymeric webs when subjected to movement. As a result, webs of the present invention have particular utility in environments such as substantially fluid-impervious backsheets for disposable infant diapers and adult incontinent diapers. The microbubbled webs are preferably formed by supporting a web of polymeric film on a moving forming structure and applying a liquid to the exposed surface of the web to permanently deform the web in the image of the forming structure. This is preferably accomplished by subjecting the exposed surface of the web to either a high pressure liquid stream or to hydraulic pressure imposed by a liquid laden deformable roll. The microbubbled webs can be produced either in "planar" or "macroscopically expanded" form.

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**STIFFENED LANE ELASTIC LAMINATE AND METHOD OF FORMING**

**STRATIFIE ELASTIQUE A BANDE RENFORCEE ET SON PROCEDE DE FABRICATION**

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English Abstract

A laminate (100) having a first nonwoven (101) and a second nonwoven (102) bonded to an elastic web (103). The laminate includes at least one elastic lane (150) and at least one stiffened lane (110, 120).

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**TOPSHEET SYSTEMS FOR ABSORBENT ARTICLES EXHIBITING IMPROVED HYDROPHILICITY GRADIENTS**

**SYSTEMES A COUCHE SUPERIEURE POUR ARTICLES ABSORBANTS PRESENTANT DES GRADIENTS D'HYDROPHILIE AMELIORES**

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English Abstract

An apertured polymeric film web having a first surface, a second surface generally parallel to and spaced apart from said first surface, and a plurality of fluid passageways extending between the first surface and the second surface to place the first surface and the second surface in fluid communication with one another. The web is formed of a polymeric film comprising at least one bulk modified layer, the bulk modified layer comprising a substantially homogeneous, stabilized dispersion comprising a comparatively low surface energy material in a polymeric material. The comparatively low surface energy material, referred to herein as a hydrophobic additive, imparts hydrophobicity to the web's first surface, thereby promoting enhanced effectiveness in transporting fluid away from the first surface of the web, particularly when used in combination with a hydrophilic adhesive applied to the web's second surface in a topsheet system of the present invention. In a preferred embodiment the web is used as a topsheet in an absorbent article. In a more preferred embodiment, the web is used as a topsheet in an absorbent article, and the topsheet further includes a hydrophilic adhesive deposited thereon. When used as a topsheet in an absorbent article, the topsheet is peripherally joined with a backsheet and an absorbent core is positioned between the second surface of the topsheet and the backsheet. The second surface of the topsheet is preferably joined to the absorbent core by the hydrophilic adhesive.

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**IMPROVED TOPSHEET FOR ABSORBENT ARTICLES EXHIBITING IMPROVED MASKING PROPERTIES**

**COUCHE SUPERIEURE AMELIOREE POUR ARTICLES ABSORBANT FAISANT MONTRE DE PROPRIETES AMELIOREES DE MASQUAGE**

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English Abstract

The present invention provides a fluid pervious fibrous, preferably nonwoven, web having a first surface and a second surface. The web comprises a hydrophilic nonwoven web comprising a plurality of individual, preferably whitened, brightened, and/or opacified, **fibers** associated with one another. The web includes a plurality of surface energy gradients defined by the boundaries of discontinuous, spaced regions of the web which are located on the first surface which exhibit a different surface energy than an adjacent portion of the web. The regions comprise depositions of a preferably whitened, brightened, and/or opacified low surface energy material randomly distributed over the first surface. In a preferred embodiment, the nonwoven web is formed of shaped **fibers** of substantially non-circular cross section, preferably a trilobial or delta cross section, which include whitening, brightening, and opacifying agents within the **fiber** material. Preferably, the low surface energy material includes whitening and opacifying agents within the material itself, with a preferred material comprising a UV curable silicone **resin** including a titanium dioxide particle suspension. The nonwoven fibrous webs of the present invention may be utilized advantageously as a topsheet and/or secondary topsheet in an absorbent article such as a diaper, sanitary napkin, or the like.

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**DISPOSABLE ABSORBENT ARTICLE WITH FIT AND FLUID TRANSFER CAPABILITIES**

**ARTICLE ABSORBANT A USAGE UNIQUE S'ADAPTANT AU CORPS ET AYANT UNE CAPACITE DE TRANSFERT DE FLUIDE**

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English Abstract

An absorbent article comprises a liquid permeable topsheet, a liquid impermeable backsheet attached to the topsheet, an absorbent core of a combination of airlaid material, wetlaid material and superabsorbent, the core being positioned between the topsheet and the backsheet to absorb fluid, and wherein the core includes an elongated, cylindrical, raised portion for improved contact with a use, and a scrim material surrounding at least a portion of the raised portion of the core.

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S4	585814	RESIN???
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S6	499	(THERMAL?? OR HEAT???) (3N)EMBOSS?
S7	659871	THICKER OR COMPACT OR CONCENTRATE?
S8	4276485	MID OR MIDDLE OR CENTER OR CENTRE OR CORE
S9	7642	S3()S4
S10	9606	S3()S5
S11	6982	7(2N)S8
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S15	0	S12 AND S13
S16	100	S9 AND S10
S17	0	S16 AND S13
S18	0	S16 AND S6
S19	9	S1:S2 AND S3 AND S6
S20	0	S1:S2 AND S3 AND S11
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Interior Composite Materials.

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Manufacture of Ultrafine Fiber  
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**Hydrophilic fibres excels in high-speed processability**

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A hydrophilic fibre made from a **thermoplastic resin** has been developed by Chisso of Japan. The 0.1-1.5 wt% fibre finishing agent adhering to the fibre is claimed to give high-speed processability. The fibre, which may be airlaid or carded, has applications in water-absorbing commodities such as disposable **diapers**, hygienic napkins and **incontinence pads**.

DESCRIPTORS: FINISHING AGENT; HYDROPHILIC PROPERTY; **THERMOPLASTIC FIBER**  
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**Absorbent Article**

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Leakage in a disposable **absorbent** article incl. an **absorbent** core, an impermeable sheet, and a surface sheet (such as a disposable **diaper**) is reduced by affixing a layer of hydrophobic **thermoplastic fibers** to the surface of either the **absorbent** core or one of the other sheets. The fibers are applied to the surface as a step in the fiber formation. For example, the fibers can be spun from a hot melt of the **thermoplastic resin** and then collected on the surface so that the fibers adhere to the surface as they cool.

DESCRIPTORS: **DIAPERS**; DISPOSABLES; ENGLISH; FIBERS; HOT MELTS; LEAKAGE; PATENTS; PLASTICS; PRDS; SYNTHETIC POLYMERS; THERMOPLASTICS; UNITED STATES

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**Fluid-Adsorptive Material**

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00322296            PAPERCHEM NO: AB6403785  
**Top Sheet for Fluid-Adsorptive Sheet**  
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00296000            PAPERCHEM NO: AB6206089  
**Top Sheet for Personal-Care Product**  
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00292197            PAPERCHEM NO: AB6202286  
**Material for Fluid-Adsorptive Product**  
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**Water-Permeable Polyolefin Fabric**  
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**Disposable Absorbent Articles**  
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A disposable **absorbent** article such as a sanitary napkin comprises an **absorbent core** (e.g., made of fluffed pulp and superabsorbent particles) disposed between a fluid-permeable top sheet and a fluid-impermeable back sheet. The top sheet may be made of a **thermoplastic** film and has liquid guide passageways extending through it from one



surface to the other. A fluid-diffusing sheet such as a nonwoven fabric is disposed between the top sheet and the **core**. The surface of the diffusing sheet that faces the top sheet carries a number of spaced stripes of hydrophobic synthetic resin, with the stripes being in contact with the lower ends of the liquid guide passageways. The fluid-diffusing sheet has a fiber density that is higher in regions underlying the resin stripes than in other regions of the sheet. The resin used for forming the stripes can be an extrusion-molded **thermoplastic resin** such as PE or PP. This construction improves the appearance of the napkin after use.

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**Multilayered Paper**

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A terpolymer (greater than 20 wt.%) of ethylene, an alkyl acrylate (6-30 wt.%) such as ethyl acrylate, and maleic anhydride (2-5 wt.%) as a sheath and a **thermoplastic resin** with a m.p. at least 30 C higher than the m.p. of the terpolymer such as HDPE as a **core** are extruded to form a **core** /sheath filament. The filament is cut into short fibers, which are converted to a nonwoven fabric (10-100 g/sq m). The fabric is placed on creped paper, and the assembly is embossed to fuse the fabric to the paper. The two-layered paper is used to make paper towels or disposable **diapers**.

DESCRIPTORS: **ABSORBENT** PAPERS; COMPOSITES; CONV; CREPED PAPERS; **DIAPERS** ; FABRIC; FAR EAST; JAPAN; JAPANESE; LAMINATES; NONWOVENS; PATENTS

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S4 239704 RESIN???  
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S7 805734 THICKER OR COMPACT OR CONCENTRATE?  
S8 4673394 MID OR MIDDLE OR CENTER OR CENTRE OR CORE  
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Hivalloy polyolefin-based alloy

The grafted polymer alloys produced by the Hivalloy...

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File 441:ESPICOM Pharm&Med DEVICE NEWS 2003/Sep W2  
File 20:Dialog Global Reporter 1997-2003/Sep 16  
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**SUSS MicroTec's Device Bonders Drive Imprint Lithography**  
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17/6/7 (Item 1 from file: 813)  
1180641 PHW039  
**Aristech Opens New Polypropylene Technical Center**  
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WORD COUNT: 306

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DIALOG(R)File 636:Gale Group Newsletter DB(TM)  
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05540952 Supplier Number: 100571948 (USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)  
**Centre-fill strategy for leakage control. (Hygiene).**

Medical Textiles, p8  
May, 2003

Language: English    Record Type: Fulltext  
Document Type: Newsletter; Trade  
Word Count: 738

... from the upper into the middle layer for a dry feel.

The relatively rigid upper **absorbent** member can be an airlaid web of fluff pulp reinforced with **thermoplastic** fibres, such as polyolefin or polyethylene terephthalate (PET) fibres, which is then moulded with applied heat or heat- **embossed** to provide an upward-deflecting shape. The increased rigidity of this member helps to promote...

**17/3,K/2      (Item 2 from file: 636)**

DIALOG(R)File 636:Gale Group Newsletter DB(TM)

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04516853    Supplier Number: 58351435 (USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)

**Absorbent products made with microfibres.**

Medical Textiles, pNA  
Jan, 2000

Language: English    Record Type: Fulltext  
Document Type: Newsletter; Trade  
Word Count: 441

... with wetness or tackiness.

Preferably, the pressure-sensitive adhesive microfibres comprise styrene-isoprene- styrene (SIS) **thermoplastic** block copolymers having a low coupling efficiency (15-65%) and less than 30% styrene, such... sensitive adhesive microfibres is claimed to enhance liquid transport properties by placing the facing and **absorbent core** in intimate contact with each other. These microfibre-coated substrates may further have a liquid or odour **absorbent** immobilized on them.

Thermoplastic polymer microfibres can be used to form liners with enhanced release of Johnson & Johnson, also describes a method for forming **absorbent** products in situ. Here, **thermoplastic** polymer microfibres are sprayed on either side of an **absorbent core** to form a liquid-permeable layer and an impermeable backing surface.

Figure 2 shows an...

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DIALOG(R)File 636:Gale Group Newsletter DB(TM)

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02418233    Supplier Number: 44803946 (USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)

**HYGIENE - Apertured sanitary napkin cover enhances fluid permeation**

Medical Textiles, pN/A  
July, 1994

Language: English    Record Type: Fulltext  
Document Type: Newsletter; Trade  
Word Count: 473

TEXT:

...fluid-permeable cover (US patent 5 188 625) is formed from a nonwoven web of **thermoplastic** fibres with the apertures occupying 20-55% of the surface area of the cover. Each...

...the current conventional type, with a fluid-permeable cover, a fluid-impermeable baffle and an **absorbent core**, the company says. Furthermore, the apertured area can be formed to only a portion of...

File 350:Derwent WPIX 1963-2003/UD,UM &UP=200359

File 347:JAPIO Oct 1976-2003/May(Updated 030902)

File 371:French Patents 1961-2002/BOPI 200209

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S3	203615	THERMOPLASTIC
S4	1441894	RESIN???
S5	879203	FIBRE? ? OR FIBER? ?
S6	1654	(THERMAL?? OR HEAT???) (3N)EMBOSS?
S7	428772	THICKER OR COMPACT OR CONCENTRATE?
S8	1269337	MID OR MIDDLE OR CENTER OR CENTRE OR CORE
S9	28810	IC=A61F-013
S10	24782	IC=A61F-005
S11	10500	IC=A61L-015
S12	7	S1:S2 AND S3 AND S6 AND S8
<b>S13</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>S12 AND S9:S11</b>
S14	11	S1:S2 AND S3()S4 AND S3()S5
S15	0	S6 AND S14
S16	25969	EMBOSS?
S17	0	S14 AND S15
S18	2512	S7(3N)S8
S19	0	S14 AND S18
S20	10500	S11 NOT S13
S21	11	S14 NOT S13
<b>S22</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>S21 AND S9:S11</b>
<b>S23</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>(S12 OR S21) NOT (S13 OR S22)</b>

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DIALOG(R)File 350:Derwent WPIX

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013968746 \*\*Image available\*\*

WPI Acc No: 2001-452959/200149

**Men's disposable urinary bag, used for bedridden patients, comprises flexible liquid-impervious base sheet, mouth for insertion of penis, body fluid absorbent panel and bond zone having preset water pressure resistance**

Patent Assignee: UNI-CHARM KK (UNIC-N)

Inventor: ABE K; KURITA N; WADA I

Number of Countries: 033 Number of Patents: 008

Patent Family:

Patent No	Kind	Date	Applicat No	Kind	Date	Week
EP 1101475	A2	20010523	EP 2000310307	A	20001120	200149 B
AU 200071659	A	20010524	AU 200071659	A	20001117	200149
CA 2326262	A1	20010519	CA 2326262	A	20001117	200149
JP 2001204755	A	20010731	JP 2000336564	A	20001102	200158
KR 2001051749	A	20010625	KR 200068310	A	20001117	200172
CN 1307858	A	20010815	CN 2000137165	A	20001117	200174
SG 91310	A1	20020917	SG 20006626	A	20001116	200278
US 6540729	B1	20030401	US 2000715405	A	20001117	200324

Priority Applications (No Type Date): JP 2000336564 A 20001102; JP 99329518 A 19991119

Patent Details:

Patent No	Kind	Lan	Pg	Main IPC	Filing Notes
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CA 2326262 A1 E A61F-005/453  
JP 2001204755 A 7 A61F-005/453  
KR 2001051749 A A61F-013/15  
CN 1307858 A A61F-013/471  
SG 91310 A1 A61F-013/471  
US 6540729 B1 A61F-005/453  
Abstract (Basic): EP 1101475 A2

NOVELTY - Men's disposable urinary bag (1) comprises flexible liquid-impervious base sheet (2), a mouth (4) for insertion of penis and a body fluid **absorbent** panel (3) attached to inner side of base sheet. The mouth is formed by transverse bonding of opposite side edges (5) of sheet. The side edges of base sheet is intermittently bonded to form bond zone (5A) having water pressure resistance of 50-1500 mm.

USE - For bedridden patients, aged men and **incontinent** patients.

ADVANTAGE - The bag is comfortable to use. The irritation and leakage of discharged urine, are prevented by using bag with excessively hardened bond zone.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure shows the perspective view of bag.

Bag (1)  
Base sheet (2)  
Body fluid **absorbent** panel (3)  
Mouth (4)  
Side edges (5)  
Bond zone (5A)  
pp; 10 DwgNo 2/5

Derwent Class: A96; D22; F07; P21; P32

International Patent Class (Main): **A61F-005/453 ; A61F-013/15 ; A61F-013/471**

International Patent Class (Additional): A41B-013/00  
Technology Focus:

... intermittent bond in bond zone is made by a plurality of dot like adhesives or **heat - embossing** .. The bond zone preferably extends from the upper to the lower part of the bag so as to get near to the longitudinal **center** line to form the bag tapered downward, wherein a peripheral wall of bag is folded along fold-guides longitudinally extending to bisect a dimension between **center** line and bond zone to divide the wall into a front wall section...

...two layer configuration comprising (i) a hydrophobic non-woven fabric layer(s), made from a **thermoplastic** synthetic resin fiber with a density gradually increasing from the outer side toward the inner side of the bag and/or (ii) a **thermoplastic** resin film with a water resistance higher than that of non-woven fabric

**13/7,K/2 (Item 2 from file: 350)**

DIALOG(R) File 350:Derwent WPIX

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012532673 \*\*Image available\*\*

WPI Acc No: 1999-338779/199929

**Tampon for feminine hygiene and medical applications**

Patent Assignee: JOHNSON & JOHNSON GMBH (JOHJ ); LEWIS A L (LEWI-I);

LOCHTE K (LOCH-I); SCHOELLING H W (SCHO-I)

Inventor: LEWIS A L; LOCHTE K; SCHOELLING H; SCHOELLING H W

Number of Countries: 084 Number of Patents: 016

Patent Family:

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DE 19753665	A1	19990610	DE 1053665	A	19971203	199929 B
WO 9927878	A1	19990610	WO 98EP7672	A	19981127	199930
AU 9915628	A	19990616	AU 9915628	A	19981127	199945
DE 19753665	C2	20000518	DE 1053665	A	19971203	200029
EP 1035819	A1	20000920	EP 98959891	A	19981127	200047
			WO 98EP7672	A	19981127	
ZA 9811029	A	20000830	ZA 9811029	A	19981202	200049
BR 9815135	A	20001010	BR 9815135	A	19981127	200055
			WO 98EP7672	A	19981127	
HU 200004343	A2	20010328	WO 98EP7672	A	19981127	200124
			HU 20004343	A	19981127	
CN 1280479	A	20010117	CN 98811773	A	19981127	200128
CZ 200002060	A3	20010613	WO 98EP7672	A	19981127	200138
			CZ 20002060	A	19981127	
US 20020026177	A1	20020228	US 98204696	A	19981203	200220
MX 2000005523	A1	20011101	MX 20005523	A	20000602	200279
EP 1035819	B1	20030129	EP 98959891	A	19981127	200309
			WO 98EP7672	A	19981127	
DE 69811114	E	20030306	DE 611114	A	19981127	200325
			EP 98959891	A	19981127	
			WO 98EP7672	A	19981127	
US 20030105444	A1	20030605	US 98204696	A	19981203	200339
			US 2003345662	A	20030116	
AU 759853	B	20030501	AU 9915628	A	19981127	200339

Priority Applications (No Type Date): DE 1053665 A 19971203

Patent Details:

Patent No	Kind	Lan	Pg	Main IPC	Filing Notes
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HU 200004343	A2			A61F-013/22	Based on patent WO 9927878
CN 1280479	A			A61F-013/22	
CZ 200002060	A3			A61F-013/22	Based on patent WO 9927878
US 20020026177	A1			A61F-013/15	
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DE 69811114	E			A61F-013/22	Based on patent EP 1035819
					Based on patent WO 9927878
US 20030105444	A1			A61F-013/15	Div ex application US 98204696
AU 759853	B			A61F-013/22	Previous Publ. patent AU 9915628
					Based on patent WO 9927878

Abstract (Basic): DE 19753665 A1



NOVELTY - The tampon has a process stage for the nonwoven covering, before fitted to the tampon blank, using heat and pressure. At least the outer surface of the nonwoven is polished to maintain the structure of the nonwoven and the absorption of the tampon.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - The nonwoven is polished by calendaring, The nonwoven covering material is of bicomponent staple fibers, heat bonded into a nonwoven, where the fibers have a polyester **core** and a high density polyethylene mantle with a lower melting point than the polyester. The nonwoven is in a weight of 11-17 g/m<sup>2</sup> or 14 g/m<sup>2</sup>. The static friction coefficient of the calendered nonwoven is 0.24-0.26. The tampon, with its extraction ribbon, has a weight of 2.7 g, an absorption of 11.3 ml and a specific absorption of 4.3 ml/g and an absorption speed of 2.1 ml/s with an absorption of higher viscose fluids of 9.9 ml/g. The nonwoven is calendered at a temp. of 80-85degreesC, a pressure of 0.5-2.5 bar and a throughput speed of 8-12 m/s. The tampon blank is of a hydrophilic material as a foam or a carded fiber nonwoven, in ribbon strips where natural and synthetic fibers wind round themselves. The nonwoven strips have a width equal to the tampon blank length. The outer nonwoven covering is needle bonded or heat sealed to the tampon blank. The nonwoven covering section has a nonwoven section secured to the end, to be wound round the tampon blank with the extraction ribbon, and pressed radially into the tampon shape, with the outer side of the nonwoven bonded over a length which is the length of the circumference of the tampon blank. The outer projecting end is welded to the surface. The nonwoven sections are bonded to the nonwoven at spaced points, with point and/or linear mounting points between them. The covering layer is narrower than the nonwoven material width, covering the longitudinal edge of the extraction end of the tampon, and covering the pointed insertion end. The tampon blank is cylindrical with a peripheral surface and two end surfaces. The nonwoven covering layer is over the peripheral surface and at least one of the end surfaces. The other end surface has a tubular wall round the peripheral surface, with two semi-cylindrical sections overlapping to extend from one end surface to the other and to lie over the other end surface. The nonwoven cover has a beaker shape, to take the tampon blank in a tight fit, and with a ring edge over the other end surface. The cover has two additional sections, alternating with the semi-cylindrical sections from one end wall to shortly before the other end surface of the tampon blank. The right angled nonwoven cover section is folded. The extraction ribbon, bonded to the tampon blank, extends from the nonwoven cover. An INDEPENDENT CLAIM is included for the manufacturing process of the tampon. An **absorbent** nonwoven web is fed continuously, of a mixture of natural and synthetic fibers, in a width equal to the tampon length, to be cut into lengths for the separate tampons. A nonwoven covering material is fed continuously, at least partially of **thermoplastic** fibers, in an open structure to allow fluid to pass through, and is cut into lengths. Each nonwoven strip is shaped into a cylindrical tampon blank with or without a nonwoven cover at least partially on the outer side. The wrapped blank is pressed radially to its main axis into the tampon shape. The nonwoven cover material is calendered in advance. Preferred Features: The nonwoven is bonded together by **heat embossing** calendaring. Part of the nonwoven surface is bonded by heat at 120-140degreesC, using polyethylene (PE) fiber materials with a melting point of 130degreesC. The nonwoven has a content of cellulose fibers with a multi-arm or star cross section. The nonwoven cover sections are sealed to the nonwoven

web (30) with a higher heat and pressure than for the welding stage. The fluid-permeable **thermoplastic** nonwoven ribbon material (32) is narrower than the nonwoven web (30). On wrapping the remainder sections, a number of concave-convex zones are formed where the materials can overlap on the mantle surface of the tampon blank.

USE - The operation is for the production of a tampon for feminine hygiene or medical applications.

ADVANTAGE - The tampon takes up high menstrual flows, effectively protects the underwear, and is comfortable when in position, with trouble-free removal.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The drawing shows a production stage for the tampons.

nonwoven web (30)

nonwoven ribbon material (32)

pp; 22 DwgNo 13/17

Derwent Class: A17; A23; A96; D22; F04; F07; P32; P64

International Patent Class (Main): A61F-000/00; **A61F-013/15 ; A61F-013/20 ; A61F-013/22**

International Patent Class (Additional): B28B-011/16; D04H-001/22; D04H-001/44; D04H-001/54; D06C-015/02

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DIALOG(R)File 350:Derwent WPIX

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WPI Acc No: 1996-260159/199627

**Sanitary napkin - comprises top sheet having plastic upper and more hydrophilic synthetic fibre lower layers thermally embossed together except in central zone which is thicker and softer for better fit**

Patent Assignee: UNI-CHARM KK (UNIC-N)

Inventor: KINOSHITA M; KONDO H; WADA I

Number of Countries: 003 Number of Patents: 005

Patent Family:

Patent No	Kind	Date	Applicat No	Kind	Date	Week
AU 9534440	A	19960509	AU 9534440	A	19951025	199627 B
JP 8117277	A	19960514	JP 94263963	A	19941027	199629
US 5746729	A	19980505	US 95546256	A	19951020	199825
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AU 701800	B	19990204	AU 9534440	A	19951025	199917
JP 3091374	B2	20000925	JP 94263963	A	19941027	200051

Priority Applications (No Type Date): JP 94263963 A 19941027

Patent Details:

Patent No	Kind	Lan	Pg	Main IPC	Filing Notes
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US 5746729	A			A61F-013/15	Cont of application US 95546256
AU 701800	B			A61F-013/50	Previous Publ. patent AU 9534440
JP 3091374	B2		3	A61F-013/511	Previous Publ. patent JP 8117277

Abstract (Basic): AU 9534440 A

A sanitary napkin has an **absorbent core** between a permeable top sheet and an impermeable back sheet. The top sheet has a **thermoplastic** resin upper layer (11) and a more hydrophilic lower layer (13) of **thermoplastic** synthetic fibres. The layers are intermittently heat-sealed together by **thermal embossing** (15) except in a central zone (6) which is thicker and softer than the remainder.

The lower layer is pref. less hydrophilic than the **core** , and the

upper layer may be nonwoven fabric or perforated film. The **core** is e.g. of fluff pulp, opt. incorporating a super- **absorbent** polymer powder.

ADVANTAGE - The central zone provides a closer fit to minimise the danger of leakage and improves comfort.

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Derwent Class: A96; D22; F07; P32

International Patent Class (Main): **A61F-013/15 ; A61F-013/50 ;**

**A61F-013/511**

International Patent Class (Additional): **A61F-013/20 ; A61F-013/472 ;**

**A61F-013/539**

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WPI Acc No: 1996-051017/199606

**Mfg. body fluid absorbent padding - by fluid pressure perforating heat-softened plastic film and bonding resultant under-surface projections to absorbent core surface fibres**

Patent Assignee: UNI-CHARM KK (UNIC-N)

Inventor: WADA I; ICHIRO W

Number of Countries: 013 Number of Patents: 013

Patent Family:

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EP 689819	A2	19960103	EP 95304585	A	19950629	199606	B
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JP 8010286	A	19960116	JP 94151129	A	19940701	199612	
CA 2153076	A	19960102	CA 2153076	A	19950630	199617	
AU 9523216	A	19960118	AU 9523216	A	19950623	199620	
EP 689819	A3	19970611	EP 95304585	A	19950629	199735	
CN 1120928	A	19960424	CN 95109192	A	19950630	199745	
AU 698578	B	19981105	AU 9523216	A	19950623	199905	
KR 145920	B1	19980801	KR 9518532	A	19950630	200020	
CA 2153076	C	20000418	CA 2153076	A	19950630	200036	
JP 3091365	B2	20000925	JP 94151129	A	19940701	200051	
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DE 69524147	E	20020110	DE 624147	A	19950629	200211	
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Priority Applications (No Type Date): JP 94151129 A 19940701

Cited Patents: EP 360929; GB 2258840; US 4636417; US 4895749

Patent Details:

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AU 9523216	A			A61F-013/15	
EP 689819	A3			A61F-013/15	
CN 1120928	A			A61F-013/46	
AU 698578	B			A61F-013/15	Previous Publ. patent AU 9523216
KR 145920	B1			A61F-013/15	
CA 2153076	C	E		A61F-013/46	
JP 3091365	B2		4	A61F-013/472	Previous Publ. patent JP 8010286
EP 689819	B1	E		A61F-013/15	

Designated States (Regional): BE DE FR GB IT NL SE  
DE 69524147 E A61F-013/15 Based on patent EP 689819  
Abstract (Basic): EP 689819 A

Padding to absorb body fluids is made by thermally softening a plastic film, applying diff. fluid pressure to bulge and rupture the film to form through holes with irregular projections on the film lower surface, placing on the upper surface of a fibrous **core**, at least partially heating the film so that the projections are deformed and intertwined with individual fibres, and applying an impermeable plastic film backsheet to the **core**. The film is pref heated under pressure or by **heat - embossing**, and the projections may be mechanically intertwined and/or welded with the fibres. The **core** upper surface is pref. of 1-10 denier fibres with a wt. of 10-45 g/m2 and apparent thickness 1-10 mm. The top-sheet is e.g. of polyethylene and the **core** may contain pulp and **thermoplastic** fibres and high- **absorbency** polymer powder.

USE - For e.g. a sanitary napkin, **incontinence pad** or disposable **diaper**.

ADVANTAGE - Top-sheet and **core** are integrally bonded without loss of softness for improved comfort.

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Derwent Class: D22; F07; P32

International Patent Class (Main): **A61F-013/15 ; A61F-013/46 ; A61F-013/472 ; B32B-031/00**

International Patent Class (Additional): **A61F-013/49 ; A61F-013/511 ; A61F-013/539 ; A61F-013/54**

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WPI Acc No: 1996-123245/199613

**Leakage-proof sheet for sanitary material - formed by laminating nonwoven thermoplastic fibre based fabric on thermoplastic resin film and heat bonding for improved flexibility etc.**

Patent Assignee: KURARAY CO LTD (KURS )

Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001

Patent Family:

Patent No	Kind	Date	Applicat No	Kind	Date	Week
JP 8019570	A	19960123	JP 94154508	A	19940706	199613 B

Priority Applications (No Type Date): JP 94154508 A 19940706

Patent Details:

Patent No	Kind	Lan	Pg	Main IPC	Filing Notes
JP 8019570	A		4	A61F-013/15	

Abstract (Basic): JP 8019570 A

A leakage-proof sheet is formed by laminating a nonwoven fabric consisting of a **thermoplastic fibre** having a fibre dia. of up to 10 um on a coloured **thermoplastic resin** film. Thermo-compression bonding is applied to the resulting laminated layer in a pattern shape. A coloured pattern is exposed on the nonwoven fabric surface.

Also claimed is a sanitary material using the leakage-proof sheet with the nonwoven fabric surface outwardly.

USE - The leakage-proof sheet is used for a sanitary material, including a disposable **nappy**, training pants for baby, an **incontinence pad**, or a sanitary napkin.

ADVANTAGE - The outer surface of the sanitary material consists of

the very fine fibre nonwoven fabric. This gives no roughness, yet superior flexible and wearing feeling. Applying thermo-compression bonding to the nonwoven fabric and the film enables integration, providing least peeling between the nonwoven fabric and the film. Sufficient durability is provided. The sheet has sufficient strength to produce the sanitary material. The sanitary material prod. is light-wt. and has a clear coloured pattern meeting the shape of the thermally compressed part.

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Derwent Class: A96; D22; F07; P21; P32; P73

International Patent Class (Main): **A61F-013/15**

International Patent Class (Additional): A41B-013/04; **A61F-005/44** ;  
**A61F-013/54** ; B32B-005/02; B32B-027/12

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WPI Acc No: 1995-221001/199529

**Biodegradable nonwoven fabric used for sanitary goods - consisting of cellulosic fibre and thermoplastic fibre made from resin consisting of polylactic acid**

Patent Assignee: TOYOBO KK (TOYM )

Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001

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Abstract (Basic): JP 7133569 A

The biodegradable nonwoven fabric consists of (a) a cellulosic fibre and (b) a **thermoplastic fibre** made from a **thermoplastic resin** consisting of polylactic acid and/or a polymer consisting mainly thereof in an (a)/(b) blend ratio of 95/5-20/80, pref. 70/30 - 20/80 by wt. and (b) has a strength of 2.0 g/d or higher and a melting point of above 120 and below 200 deg.C. In the **thermoplastic resin** consisting of polylactic acid and/or a polymer consisting mainly thereof, hydroxyl gp. at the terminal of molecule is ester-bonded with a carboxylic acid. The **thermoplastic resin** is a copolymer of lactic acid and gamma-caprolactone. The fibres are bonded together in a part of the nonwoven fabric. (a) includes natural, regenerated and semi-synthetic fibres. (b) has a viscosity average mol wt. of 5,000 or higher, pref. 104 - 106.

ADVANTAGE - The nonwoven fabric does not cause environmental pollution and has excellent heat resistance. It is useful as surface sheet for sanitary goods such as sanitary napkin and **diaper** and for moist hand towel, agricultural and construction materials, etc.

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Derwent Class: A23; A93; A96; A97; D22; F04; P28; P32

International Patent Class (Main): D04H-001/42

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**A61F-013/54** ; D01F-006/62; D04H-001/54; D21H-013/20

**22/7,K/3 (Item 1 from file: 347)**

DIALOG(R)File 347:JAPIO

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LEAKAGE PREVENTING SHEET AND SANITARY MATERIAL

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ABSTRACT

PURPOSE: To provide a sanitary material for a lightweight **diaper** or the like which is comfortably flexible and which is excellent in design, and a leakage preventing sheet for the sanitary material.

CONSTITUTION: Unwoven fabric formed from a **thermoplastic fiber** having a fiber diameter of less than 10.mu.m and a colored **thermoplastic resin** film are laminated with each other, and are then subjected to pattern-like thermo- compression bonding so as to exhibit a color pattern on the surface of the unwoven fabric. Further, the leakage sheet is used with the unwoven fabric being set on the front side.

INTL CLASS: **A61F-013/15 ; A61F-013/54 ; A41B-013/04; A61F-005/44 ;**  
**B32B-005/02; B32B-027/12**

**23/26, TI/1 (Item 1 from file: 350)**

DIALOG(R)File 350:Derwent WPIX

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014490578

WPI Acc No: 2002-311281/200235

**Sheet-form female fastener used for disposable diapers , comprises loop of filament processed yarn fused at fixed intervals on thermoplastic resin non-woven fabric by heat embossing**

**23/26, TI/2 (Item 2 from file: 350)**

DIALOG(R)File 350:Derwent WPIX

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013282778

WPI Acc No: 2000-454713/200040

**Flexible nonwoven fabric for industrial materials like medical, hygienic and packing materials, comprises fiber consisting of polyolefin type thermoplastic resin containing olefin type elastomer**

**23/26, TI/3 (Item 3 from file: 350)**

DIALOG(R)File 350:Derwent WPIX

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012867203

WPI Acc No: 2000-039036/200003

**Fibrous suspension panel of seat assembly in motor vehicle**

**23/26, TI/4 (Item 4 from file: 350)**

DIALOG(R)File 350:Derwent WPIX

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012681864

WPI Acc No: 1999-487971/199941

**Floor carpet for trunk compartment of vehicle - includes thin film layer**

attached at specific position to any one or both side surfaces of felt layers such that hot air passed through the felt layer is interrupted

23/26, TI/5 (Item 5 from file: 350)

DIALOG(R) File 350:Derwent WPIX

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011660303

WPI Acc No: 1998-077212/199807

Hydrophilic fibres for cloth-like articles and filters - comprises thermoplastic fibres coating with finish including fatty acid sorbitan ester(s), adducts with ethylene oxide, white mineral oil, polypropylene glycol diester and nonionic surfactant

23/26, TI/6 (Item 6 from file: 350)

DIALOG(R) File 350:Derwent WPIX

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011390354

WPI Acc No: 1997-368261/199734

Manufacture of fibrous pad material for reclining part of car seats - is made by filling thermoplastic resin fibres into mould, and blowing in hot air to fuse and bond fibres

23/26, TI/7 (Item 7 from file: 350)

DIALOG(R) File 350:Derwent WPIX

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011201400

WPI Acc No: 1997-179325/199716

Highly smooth fibre formation - by depositing on the fibre mixed compsn. of alkylphosphate salt to which polyoxyalkylene gp. is added and polyoxyalkylene modified silicone contg. amide gp.

23/26, TI/8 (Item 8 from file: 350)

DIALOG(R) File 350:Derwent WPIX

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010315528

WPI Acc No: 1995-216786/199529

Sheet-form oxygen@- absorbent, attachable to foodstuff and pharmaceutical packaging - comprises absorbent sheet covered with gas permeable layer attached to self-adhesive base layer at periphery

23/26, TI/9 (Item 9 from file: 350)

DIALOG(R) File 350:Derwent WPIX

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010289223

WPI Acc No: 1995-190482/199525

Method of making mouldings integral with non-woven cloth - by mixing thermoplastic fibre with main fibre to form non-woven cloth, heating and then cold pressing between pair of moulds

23/26, TI/10 (Item 10 from file: 350)

DIALOG(R) File 350:Derwent WPIX

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009141047

WPI Acc No: 1992-268485/199232

Micro-pattern-embossed oriented elastomer films - have excellent non-blocking property, reduced gloss and a satin appearance and feel,

useful for elastic waistbands of disposable diapers

23/26, TI/11 (Item 11 from file: 350)  
DIALOG(R) File 350: Derwent WPIX  
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003461758  
WPI Acc No: 1982-10659J/198251  
Sewing together plastic layer and a cloth - using a yarn contg. thermoplastic  
fibre , e.g. nylon, polyester, or PVA which is then heated



File 348:EUROPEAN PATENTS 1978-2003/Aug W05

File 349:PCT FULLTEXT 1979-2002/UB=20030911,UT=20030904

Set	Items	Description
S1	40346	ABSORBEN?
S2	102733	PAD OR PADS OR DIAPER? ? OR NAPPY OR NAPPIES OR UNDERGARME- NT? OR INCONTINEN??
S3	76022	THERMOPLASTIC
S4	226768	RESIN???
S5	221614	FIBRE? ? OR FIBER? ?
S6	1345	(THERMAL?? OR HEAT???) (3N)EMBOSS?
S7	302771	THICKER OR COMPACT OR CONCENTRATE?
S8	564505	MID OR MIDDLE OR CENTER OR CENTRE OR CORE
S9	16700	IC=(A61F-013 OR A61F-005 OR A61L-015)
S10	14	S1(S)S3(S)S6
S11	18400	MORE() (COMPACT OR CONCENTRATED)
S12	46357	THICKER
S13	1346	S11:S12(3N)S8
<b>S14</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>S10(S)S13</b>
S15	13	S10 NOT S14
<b>S16</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>S9 AND S15</b>
<b>S17</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>S15 NOT S16</b>

**14/3,AB,K/1 (Item 1 from file: 348)**

DIALOG(R)File 348:EUROPEAN PATENTS

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00885206

**Fluid distribution materials with improved wicking properties**

**Flussigkeitsverteilungsmaterialien mit verbesserten Dochteigenschaften**

**Materiaux pour la distribution de fluide presentant des capacites  
d'imbibition par capillarite accrues**

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DESIGNATED STATES: AT; BE; CH; DE; DK; ES; FI; FR; GB; GR; IE; IT; LI; LU;  
NL; PT; SE

INTERNATIONAL PATENT CLASS: A61F-013/15

ABSTRACT EP 809991 A1

The present invention relates to the selection of materials which are particularly useful as fluid distribution material for being used in disposable absorbent articles by being characterised in that they have a wicking time of less than 120 seconds and a cumulative flux of more than 0.075 grams /cm<sup>2</sup> / second for said preferential fluid distribution direction at 12.4 cm height, when applying the Vertical Wicking Test. A further useful selection criterion for such materials is a non-isotropic fluid distribution behaviour, expressed in that the wicking time in the preferential distribution direction is less than 80% of the wicking time

of perpendicular direction at 8.3 cm height, when applying the same test.  
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CLAIMS B	(French)	200204	644
SPEC A	(English)	199711W4	9673
SPEC B	(English)	200204	9650
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Total word count - documents A + B			21434

...SPECIFICATION or at least one of the rolls has an macroscopically  
curvatures shape, e.g. is **thicker** in the **centre** portion than towards  
...rolls. Preferentially, this is applied for webs comprising  
thermofusible materials (such as the materials comprising **thermoplastic**  
fibres). The beneficial effect of this additional heat treatment lies in  
that the webs can...

16/6/3 (Item 3 from file: 348)

00594411

Film laminated material and method and apparatus for making the same

16/6/6 (Item 2 from file: 349)

00487551 \*\*Image available\*\*

SKIN RESURFACING RECOVERY SYSTEM

16/6/7 (Item 3 from file: 349)

00478571 \*\*Image available\*\*

LIQUID MANAGEMENT FILM FOR ABSORBENT ARTICLES

16/3,AB,K/1 (Item 1 from file: 348)

DIALOG(R)File 348:EUROPEAN PATENTS

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00732159

Method for making body fluids absorbent padding

Verfahren zur Herstellung eines Korperflussigkeiten absorbierenden Artikels

Procede pour la fabrication d'un produit absorbant les fluides corporels

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DESIGNATED STATES: BE; DE; FR; GB; IT; NL; SE

INTERNATIONAL PATENT CLASS: A61F-013/15

ABSTRACT EP 689819 A2

A thermoplastic film destined to be used as a topsheet (2) of body fluids absorbent padding is thermoformed under the effect of a differential pressure of fluid to provide this film with liquid guiding passages (6) and jags (14) on lower ends of the passages (6). The jags (14) are further thermally deformed to be intertwined with individual fibers of a liquid-absorbent core (4) of the padding and thereby to bond the topsheet (2) integrally to the core (4). (see image in original document)

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CLAIMS B	(German)	200148	333
CLAIMS B	(French)	200148	358
SPEC A	(English)	EPAB96	1618
SPEC B	(English)	200148	1643

Total word count - document A 1940

Total word count - document B 2661

Total word count - documents A + B 4601

INTERNATIONAL PATENT CLASS: **A61F-013/15**

...SPECIFICATION or a plastic film integrally to a liquid-absorbent core containing thermoplastic synthetic fibers by **thermally embossing** them. For example, Japanese Laid-Open Utility Model Application No. 1982-139318 discloses a technique by which a topsheet and at least an upper surface of a liquid- **absorbent** core of a disposable diaper are provided with thermal meltability and they are welded together...

...SPECIFICATION such as sanitary napkins and disposable diapers to bond a liquid-permeable topsheet made of **thermoplastic** synthetic fibers or a plastic film integrally to a liquid-absorbent core containing **thermoplastic** synthetic fibers by **thermally embossing** them. For example, Japanese Laid-Open Utility Model Application No. 1982-139318 discloses a technique by which a topsheet and at least an upper surface of a liquid- **absorbent** core of a disposable diaper are provided with thermal meltability and they are welded together...

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00630352

FIBROUS LAMINATED WEB AND METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR MAKING THE SAME AND  
ABSORBENT ARTICLES INCORPORATING THE SAME  
MEHRSCICHTIGER VLIESTOFF, VERFAHREN UND VORRICHTUNG ZU DESSEN  
HERSTELLUNG, SOWIE DIESEN VLIESTOFF ENTHALTENDE ABSORBIERENDE PRODUKTE  
NAPPE FIBREUSE LAMINEE, PROCEDE ET APPAREIL DE FABRICATION DE CELLE-CI ET  
ARTICLES ABSORBANTS LA CONTENANT

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...INTERNATIONAL PATENT CLASS: **A61F-013/46**

...SPECIFICATION fibrous layer comprising a plurality of staple fibers or continuous filaments of one or more **thermoplastic** materials and a second fibrous layer comprising a plurality of staple fibers or continuous filaments of two or more **thermoplastic** materials. The first layer and second layer, which can be nonwoven webs, are formed into...

...by a spaced apart bonding pattern, such as by thermal bonding between a pair of **heated embossing** or bonding rolls having raised bonding patterns on the outer surfaces thereof. This spaced apart...

...also provides improved liquid penetration and management when placed within the internal structure of an **absorbent** article. Other attributes and advantages of the present invention will be apparent from the...

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DIALOG(R)File 348:EUROPEAN PATENTS

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00052248

**Quilted diaper and sanitary napkin products.**

**Saugfähige Vorlage, insbesondere Windel oder Damenbinde.**

**Article absorbant utilisable notamment comme couche ou serviette hygienique.**

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PATENT (CC, No, Kind, Date): EP 67916 A1 821229 (Basic)

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DESIGNATED STATES: AT; BE; CH; DE; FR; IT; LI; LU; NL; SE

INTERNATIONAL PATENT CLASS: **A61F-013/16**

ABSTRACT EP 67916 A1

Quilted diaper and sanitary napkin products.

The present invention relates to a quilted disposable diaper (10) and a quilted sanitary napkin and a method for producing the same. The facing (13) or cover material contains a **thermoplastic** component either in the fiber or the fiber bonding agent. The facing or cover (13) is **heat embossed** onto the **absorbent** batt in a predetermined pattern resulting in the facing or covering adhering to the densified regions (14) making a "quilted" effect.

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LANGUAGE (Publication,Procedural,Application): English; English; English

INTERNATIONAL PATENT CLASS: **A61F-013/16**

...ABSTRACT and a method for producing the same. The facing (13) or cover material contains a **thermoplastic** component either in the fiber or the fiber bonding agent. The facing or cover (13) is **heat embossed** onto the **absorbent** batt in a predetermined pattern resulting in the facing or covering adhering to the densified...

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**ABSORBENT ARTICLE WITH A CENTRAL RISING MEMBER**

**ARTICLE ABSORBANT COMPRENANT UN ELEMENT D'ELEVATION CENTRAL**

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Filing Language: English

Fulltext Word Count: 24888

English Abstract

An absorbent article is disclosed having excellent body fit, center-fill fluid handling performance, and good leakage control in that flow from the center of the article to the longitudinal sides thereof is hindered by a wicking barrier. The article comprises a lower absorbent member, an horizontal wicking barrier over the lower absorbent member, and a central

absorbent section forming a medial hump over the horizontal wicking barrier. An optional central rising member can further enhance the topography of the article when compressed by urging a central portion to deflect vertically upward. In one embodiment, longitudinal upward projections on the horizontal wicking barrier also help control the deformation of the article for good body fit.

Main International Patent Class: **A61F-013/472**

Fulltext Availability: Detailed Description

Detailed Description

... surface of the central absorbent section 16 toward the body of the wearer.

The upper **absorbent** member 18 can be preshaped such that its tendency to deflect upward during lateral compression is at least partially independent of the presence of the middle **absorbent** member 20. For example, the upper **absorbent** member 18 can be stamped, **heat embossed**, molded, or otherwise pre-shaped. The upper **absorbent** member 18 can be a web of fluff pulp reinforced with **thermoplastic** fibers which is then molded with applied **heat** or **heat - embossed** to have an upward-deflecting shape. In one embodiment, the upper **absorbent** member 18 is an airlaid material or airlaid composite that is formed on a...

...a porous sintered surface, to impart an intrinsic concave downwards shape. Binder material such as **thermoplastic** fibers may be present to help create a resilient pre-shaped **absorbent** material capable of holding its shape even when no middle **absorbent** member 20 is present and even when the **absorbent** core 15 is wetted.

Desirably, the upper absorbent member 18 has a rigidity, and...

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**FIBROUS SUPERABSORBENT CORE HAVING INTEGRALLY ATTACHED HYDROPHOBIC FACING LAYER**

**NOYAU FIBREUX SUPERABSORBANT A COUCHE DE REVETEMENT HYDROPHOBE SOLIDAIRE**

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English Abstract

Absorbent structures are disclosed comprising a fibrous, superabsorbent core and an integrally attached facing layer. The structures can be made by forming nonwoven webs of mixtures of thermoplastic fibers and superabsorbent fibers, and a web consisting essentially of thermoplastic hydrophobic fibers. The layers are bonded together using thermal bonding. The structures are suitable for use in disposable absorbent products, in particular, pantliners.

Main International Patent Class: **A61F-013/15**

Fulltext Availability: Detailed Description

Detailed Description

... of this invention to provide such a core having low bulk and yet a high **absorbent** capacity,

BACKGROUND ART

U.S. Patent 3,067,747, issued December 11., 1962 to...

...issued September 13, 1977 to

Thomaschefskey et al. relates to nursing pads having an inner

**absorbent** layer including a proportion of synthetic **thermoplastic** polymer fibers and an outer layer of **thermoplastic** polymer fibers. The layers are combined by **embossing** with **heat** and low pressure.

U.S. Patent 4,397,644, issued August 9, 1983 to Matthews...during the thermobonding process. Preferably, the bonding pattern is discontinuous, as is the case when **heated embossing** rolls are used. In areas where the fibers are not bonded they remain soft and...

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00779008 \*\*Image available\*\*

**CHANNEL FLOW FILTER**

17/6/4 (Item 2 from file: 349)

00357999 \*\*Image available\*\*

**FILM LAMINATED MATERIAL AND METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR MAKING THE SAME**

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00955904

**Wiping sheet**

**Wischtuch**

**Torchon d'essuyage**

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An absorbent core 4 composed of a nonwoven fabric containing an absorbent fiber at 20 % by weight or more to 80 % by weight or less and a

hydrophobic fiber at 20 % by weight or more to 80 % by weight or less is interposed between a top sheet 3 and a bottom sheet 5, both the sheets being composed of a nonwoven fabric containing an absorbent fiber, such as rayon, at 30 % by weight or more to 70 % by weight or less and a hydrophobic fiber at 30 % by weight or more to 70 % by weight or less. Then, the top sheet 3, the absorbent core 4 and the bottom sheet 5 are bonded together on bonding lines 2. These individual layers are water retentive because of the absorbent fiber therein, and the resulting sheet has good slip properties because of the hydrophobic fiber contained therein. The absorbent core 4 works to enhance the bending resistance.

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...SPECIFICATION the faces of the absorbent core 4, and the resulting trilayer sheet is interposed between a **heat emboss** roll with wave emboss formed on the surface and a heat roll with a flat surface or between two **heat emboss** rolls, so that the trilayer sheet are pressurized and **heated** at the **emboss** process, whereby the **thermoplastic** hydrophobic fiber, which is contained in the top sheet 3, **absorbent** core 4 and bottom sheet 5, is thermally melt so that the trilayer sheet is...

...SPECIFICATION sheet 3 and the bottom sheet 5 are overlaid on both the faces of the **absorbent** core 4, and the resulting trilayer sheet is interposed between a **heat emboss** roll with wave emboss formed on the surface and a heat roll with a flat surface or between two **heat emboss** rolls, so that the trilayer sheet are pressurized and **heated** at the **emboss** process, whereby the **thermoplastic** hydrophobic fiber, which is contained in the top sheet 3, **absorbent** core 4 and bottom sheet 5, is thermally melt so that the trilayer sheet is...

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Synthetic pulp and absorbent comprising the same.

Synthetische Pulpe und diese Pulpe enthaltendes Absorbenz.

Pate synthetique et absorbant la comprenant.

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A synthetic pulp comprising a pulp fiber of a thermoplastic resin and, adhering to the surface thereof, a polypropylene glycol having a molecular weight of 20 to 10,000, preferably together with a phenolic antioxidant and/or a phosphorous acid ester type antioxidant, has an excellent hydrophilic property even in the dry state and a good wettability or rewettability. This pulp forms a good slurry without bubbling when thrown in water. When a mixture of this synthetic pulp and a second hydrophilic short fiber is subjected to a heat-fusion treatment, a fibrous molded articles having an excellent hydrophilic property, a good wettability or rewettability and a high wet strength is obtained, and this fibrous molded article is especially valuable as an absorbent.

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...SPECIFICATION specific gravity can be adjusted to some extent by the fusion-bonding treatment of the **thermoplastic resin pulp fiber** but **products** having a desired bulk specific gravity can be obtained by performing a pressing treatment simultaneously...  
...the production of paper products such as embossed paper, heat-sealing paper, water-resistant paper, **electrical** paper, forming paper and agricultural paper, various non-woven fabric products, sanitary products, construction materials...

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FIBROUS LAMINATED WEB AND METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR MAKING THE SAME AND  
ABSORBENT ARTICLES INCORPORATING THE SAME  
NAPPE FIBREUSE LAMINEE, PROCEDE ET APPAREIL DE FABRICATION DE CELLE-CI ET  
ARTICLES ABSORBANTS LA CONTENANT

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English Abstract

This invention relates to a fibrous laminated material wherein a first fibrous layer (12) comprising a plurality of staple fibers or continuous filaments of a thermoplastic material and a second fibrous layer (22) comprising a plurality of staple fibers or continuous filaments of two or more thermoplastic or other materials are bonded together in a spaced apart bonding pattern (18) having apertures (30) formed therein to form a fibrous laminate having improved liquid distribution and management properties as well as enhanced comfort and softness when placed in contact with human skin. Also disclosed are a method and apparatus for making such a fibrous laminate, as well as absorbent articles incorporating such fibrous laminate.

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Detailed Description

... fibrous layer comprising a plurality of staple fibers or continuous filaments of one or more **thermoplastic** materials and a second fibrous layer comprising a plurality of staple fibers or continuous filaments of two or more **thermoplastic** materials. The first layer and second layer,, which can be nonwoven webs,, are formed into...  
...by a spaced apart bonding pattern, such as by thermal bonding between a pair of **heated embossing** or bonding rolls having raised bonding patterns on the outer surfaces thereof . This spaced apart...  
...also provides improved liquid penetration and management when placed within the internal structure of an **absorbent** article. other attributes and advantages of the present invention will be apparent from the ensuing...

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L1 41587 S ABSORBEN?  
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L5 2756949 S THERMAL? OR HEAT?  
L6 8488 S EMBOSS?  
L7 22253 S THICKER OR MORE COMPACT OR MORE CONCENTRATED  
L8 891684 S MID OR MIDDLE OR CENTER OR CENTRE OR CENTRAL OR CORE  
L9 23866 S L2(W)L3  
L10 1327 S L2(W)L4  
L11 7 S L1 AND L9 AND L10  
L12 0 S L6 AND L11  
L13 19 S L1 AND L2 AND L6  
L14 204 S L7(3A)L8  
L15 0 S L13 AND L14  
L16 0 S L13 AND L7  
L17 5 S L13 AND L8

L17 ANSWER 3 OF 5 HCAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2003 ACS on STN

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**TITLE:** Nonwoven fabrics of \*\*\*thermoplastic\*\*\* long  
fibers with good tensile strength and abrasion  
resistance and \*\*\*absorbent\*\*\* articles therefrom

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AB The nonwoven fabrics comprise \*\*\*thermoplastic\*\*\* fibers with denier per filament 0.1-10 and have basis wt. 5-35 g/m2 and show area content (A) of heat-bonded portions 5-25%, av. distance (X) between two adjacent bonded portions in the machine direction .ltoreq.2.0 mm, av. distance (Y) between two adjacent bonded portions in the transverse direction .ltoreq.2.5 mm, and ratio (y/x) of av. max. diam. of the bonded portions in the transverse direction to av. max. diam. of the bonded portions in the machine direction 1-15. The nonwoven fabrics are useful for garments, industrial materials, construction materials, and agricultural materials (no data) and medical-care and hygienic materials. Polypropylene was melt spun, passed through an air sucker, exposed to elec. corona, opened, piled on an endless conveyer, and \*\*\*embossed\*\*\* at 141.degree. to give a

nonwoven fabric comprising fibers with denier per filament 2.0, basis wt. 20 g/m2, A 15%, X 1.0 mm, Y 1.5 mm, and y/x 1.5 and exhibiting tensile strength 0.040 kg/cm-g/m2, handle rating (10 best, 1 worst) 9, and good abrasion resistance and showing good liq. absorption properties on using as disposable diapers.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 1998:661406 HCAPLUS

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**TITLE:** Laminated synthetic nonwoven fabrics with high bulk and good handle and \*\*\*absorbent\*\*\* products therefrom

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AB The nonwovens have .gtoreq.2 nonwoven layers and have (A) a layer comprising staple fibers with length 38-90 mm and a (B) layer comprising heat-bondable conjugate fibers with length 3-30 mm and consisting of .gtoreq.2 \*\*\*thermoplastic\*\*\* polymers comprising polymers with high m.p. and polymers with low m.p. and are heat-bonded to cause fiber-to-fiber bonding of the conjugate fibers and give nonwoven fabrics having B layer having .gtoreq.50% of the intersection angle of the fiber-to-fiber bonding point 60-90.degree.. The laminated nonwoven fabrics are useful for top sheets for disposable diapers and sanitary napkins. A carded web of polypropylene (I) staple fibers was prepd., \*\*\*embossed\*\*\* at roll temp. 145.degree., laminated with a web of spun fibers from I as the \*\*\*core\*\*\* and HDPE as the sheath, and heat-treated at air temp. 138.degree. to give a laminated nonwoven fabric exhibiting surface handle rating (10 monitors) 9 and biolog. soln. permeation rate by a specified test 6 s and suitable as top sheets for sanitary napkins.

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**TITLE:** Nonwoven fabrics of synthetic long fibers with improved softness and good adhesion to materials and \*\*\*absorbent\*\*\* products therefrom

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AB The nonwoven fabrics comprise fibers consisting of a (A) component comprising .gtoreq.20% ethylene-acrylic acid ester-maleic anhydride copolymers and linear higher fatty acids or metal salts thereof (Cn-1H2(n-m)-1COO-)aXa+ (I; n = 10-30; m = no. of unsatd. bonds in the aliph. chain; X = Li, K, Na, Ca, Mg, Zn, Pb, Al, Ba, Cd) and (B) a component comprising cryst. \*\*\*thermoplastic\*\*\* polymers and having the surface partially or wholly comprising A component and having I content 500-5000 ppm. The nonwoven fabrics are useful for sanitary napkins, disposable diapers, and medical-care products (no data). A compn. contg. 88:9.5:2.5 Et acrylate-ethylene-maleic anhydride copolymer (II) and 3000 ppm (on fiber) Mg stearate as the sheath and isotactic polypropylene as the \*\*\*core\*\*\* were together melt spun at 50:50 ratio, passed through an air sucker, treated with elec. corona, opened, piled on a conveyer, and \*\*\*embossed\*\*\* at m.p. or softening temp. of II component to give a nonwoven fabric exhibiting softness rating (10 monitors, 1 good handle per monitor) 9 and strength of adhesion to Al foil 2.4 kg/5 cm, strength of adhesion to kraft paper 7.5 kg/5 cm, and strength of adhesion to rayon fabric 6.4 kg/5 cm.